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I. THE CABINET

The present Cabinet, formed on 16 February 1940, and reconstructed in April 1942 is largely made up of politically colorless individuals. The single outstanding personality is Mr. Gabrovski, the energetic and ruthless Minister of the Interior and an ardent pro-German. The popular strength of the Cabinet is found in its appeal for the unification with Bulgaria proper of all the so-called Bulgarian areas. Its policy is to make these lands an integral part of Bulgaria and Bulgaria the dominant power of the Balkans. Its sanction by the Sovereign is due to the fact that all its members are his obedient servants.

FILOV, PROF. BOGDAN

Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs since 1942. Prime Minister and Minister of Education from 1940 to April 1942. Was Minister of Education in the Kiosseivanov Cabinet from 20 Nov. 1938-1940. Professor of Archeology and Ancient Art at the University of Sofia since 1920. Born 10 April 1883 in Stara Zagora. Student at Wurzburg, Freiburg and Leipzig. Curator and director (1911) of the Sofia Archeological Museum. President of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (1938), and of the Pen Club. Author of many scientific books. Many believe he is just a figurehead. He has accepted responsibility for the declaration of war on the United States and other unpopular moves. He has no decided policy of his own but does the King's wishes. In his speeches he supports the Axis one hundred percent, but is thought by some to be lukewarm in private. He is kept in power merely because he is useful.

GABROVSKI, PETER

Minister of Interior since 16 Feb. 1940. No previous post. Sofia lawyer. Was never a leader in any of the pre-1934 parties. The most ardent pro-Nazi in the cabinet and responsible for repressive police measures and for the persecution of the Jews. Reported in constant conflict with the King. Age about 50.

MIHOV, LT. GENERAL NIKOLA

Minister of War since April 1942 replacing General Daskalov. No previous political activity recorded. Distinguished though not colorful military record. One of two Lt. Generals on active duty and next in rank to the King. Admires German methods and is reputed to be strongly pro-German but does not want the Bulgarian army to fight outside the Balkans. He holds that Bulgaria's role in the war is that of defender of the Balkans.

BOZHILOV, DOBRI

Minister of Finance from 19 Nov. 1938 to present (June 43). Born 12 Nov 1884 at Kotel, Graduate of the Svishtov commercial gymnasium. Entered the National Bank as a clerk and in thirty three years of service he has held most of the offices in the bank.

In 1934 he became governor of the National Bank, which post he quit to become Minister. Especially effective in keeping lev balanced and as financial representative at international meetings. Has many close friends in international financial circles. He is a public servant in the sense that he does what he is told. He is a man who makes more promises than he can fulfill. He is about sixty years old.

YOTSOV, PROF. BORIS

Minister of Education since April 1942. Secretary of that Ministry under Filov from 1940-42. Former director of the National Theater. Professor of Slavonic literature at the University. Formerly very interested in Poland, Czechoslovakia etc. Taught literature at the German School, Sofia 1931-1936. No previous political experience. American from Bulgaria claims that basically, he is not pro-Nazi. He was a Pan-Slavic leader. He is the only close personal friend of Filov's in the government and receives a great deal of publicity. Down to 1939 he was anti-German. He does not speak German. He is a good public speaker but long-winded and frequently tours the country making speeches on educational topics. He is pro-German at present because such is his country's policy. He will change his coat with the weather.

PARTOV, DR. KIRIL

Minister of Jestice since April 1942, replacing Mitakov. Formerly judge in the Supreme Court of Cassation. No important previous political record. Reported among the least pro-Nazi members of the cabinet. Comes from the town of Vratsa.

ZAKHARIEV, NIKOLA

Minister of Commerce since April 1942. Born 1898 in Lesicheri village. Gymnasium at Tirnovo. Historical Philoligic Faculty graduate (Sofia). 1924-1927 studied at the Cooperative School in Prag. 1931 elected to Assembly and made its vice-president as member of the Agrarian party. 19 May 1934 to 2 April 1935---Minister of Railroads. 1940 re-elected to Assembly as independent and made vice-president again. According to one source he is "uninteresting and without moral qualities". He is eneggetic in his office, but rather futile. He makes many announcements against the black market, but is believed himself to be a black market operator. It is said that the King keeps him in power that he may eventually hang himself and at the same time discredit the agrarians.

PETROV, ENG. HRISTO

Minister of Agriculture since April 1942. Born in Lovech. Attended gymnasium in Sofia and became a teacher. Fought in both wars. Studied law in Sofia. Received Mining Engineer's Degree in Berlin. Private engineering practice. Taught at technical school in Sofia. Technical Adviser and temporary General Director of Pernik mines. 7 Dec. 1941 became Director of the Sofia Oblast replacing General H. Geredzhikov who went to Thrace, but has since returned.

RADOSLAVOV, ENG. VASIL

Minister of Railroads since April 1942. Born 1897 in Sofia and attended gymnasium there. Graduate of the Mining Academy at Freiberg, Germany. Seven years technical director at Pernik mines. Author of many books and the first geopolitical map of the Pernik Basin. Reported lukewarm in feelings toward Germany.

VASILEV, ENG. DIMITER

Minister of Public Works since 1940. Engineer by profession. Formerly ardent Communist. Has made some of the most militant pro-Axis speeches and is considered next to Gabrovski in pro-German sympathies. (Has a brother in the United States named Nacho Vasilev, a chemist, who is reportedly a perfectly good citizen.)

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ILIEV, I.

General Secretary of the Ministerial Council.

II. NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

A. OFFICERS

KALFOV, HRISTO

President of the National Assembly since 1940. Was formerly on Bulgarian diplomatic staff in Turkey.

KIOSSEIVANOV, DR. PETER IVAN

Vice President of the National Assembly, 1943 Chairman, Committee on Finance, 1942. (Not to be confused with George Kiosseivanov, his older brother, Bulgarian Minister to Switzerland). Elected from Peshtera District where family comes from. Is reported to have participated in many shady army deals with Prince Kiril in 1938. Known as unscrupulous and tricky. Wife: Mara Licheva of Plovdiv.

PESHEV, DIMITER

Vice President of the National Assembly (one of two). Was ousted in March 1943 because of his defense of Jews in the Assembly and his opposition to other government measures. Lawyer by profession.

B. KEY MEMBERS

KOLCHEV, STEFAN

Chairman of the Budget Committee of the National Assembly. Interested in the administration of Macedonia.

KOZHUHROV, TODOR P.

Deputy. Member, Military Affairs Committee, 1942. Director of Slovo, Sofia daily. Minister of Railroads, P.T.T. April 1935-December 1935. Born in Sliven, 1891, graduate of the Military Academy, Served under General Hristo Lukov in Knyazhevo NCO school (Artillery); Fought with distinction in both wars. Entered Reserve Captain in 1920. Became writer and then director of Slovo. Elected to National

Assembly after 1923 (several times). Member of the Executive Committee of the Union of Reserve Officers; good orator; wrote books and pamphlets. Newspaper crusader. Has been mouthpiece for Alexander Tsankov.

LULCHEV, ANDRO HRISTO

Deputy. Member, Military Affairs and Elections Committee, 1942. Reported to be close friend and adviser of King Boris. Was always friendly to Americans in Bulgaria and probably has pro-Allied sympathies. He is spokesman for the War Veterans. He never belonged to any regular political party, but was always trying to form a small progressive party of his own. His supporters were largely in the Sliven District. Was member of Rotary and Pen Club. Good writer.

MUSHANOV, NIKOLA

Leader of the opposition in the National Assembly since 1938. Undisputed leader of the Democratic Party (dissolved officially since 1934). Lawyer by profession. First appeared on the political scene as Minister of Education in the cabinet of Alexander Malinov in 1908 and at various times has had the ministries of Foreign Affairs, Interior, Public Works and Railways. From 1931 to 1934 he was Prime Minister in a coalition cabinet including Agrarians, Liberals, Radicals and Democrats. Has been courageous in attacks on the government but so far loyal to the crown and not opposed to revisionism. He initiated Yugoslav-Bulgarian rapprochement in 1933. He is a good orator, a talented lawyer and experienced in internal politics. The election promises of 1931 were not carried out by his government, largely because of Agrarian bickering. Mushanov is ambitious, probably hopes to take power when present regime is defeated. King may call him in at the crucial moment.

NIKOLAEV, DR. NIKOLAI P.

Deputy. Chief of the Government Majority Group in the Assembly (June 1943). Member of the following committes in 1942: Foreign Affairs, Internal Affairs, Answer to Throne Speech.

STAINOV, PETKO

Deputy. Leader in the Demokraticheski Sgovor group. Opposes present regime in the Assembly. Son-in-law of Mihail Madjarov. Former Minister in Lyapchev Government and Minister to Paris. (Resigned in Paris when king overthrew Zveno government in 1935.) In favor of Zgovor--People's Front Union. Very energetic. For Balkan solidarity. On most parliamentary committees.

TSANKOV, ALEXANDER

Deputy. Professor of Law at the Sofia University. Member of the Democratic Party until 1923 when he and Lyapchev formed the Democratic Entente. Tsankov helped organize the revolution of 1923 in which 30,000 Agrarians and Communists were killed. Was Prime Minister till 1926 and held various other ministerial posts after that. In 1932 he split with the rest of the Democratic Entente and organized a National and Social Movement with a strong nationalistic youth movement called Ratnik. He advocated an authoritarian regime with or without the king. The king fears him because he has a large personal following and most governments consult him. He has made a practice of not entering into the governments since 1934 and will not enter until he can become the Prime Minister. He is bound to play an important role in post-war Bulgaria so it is important that his career be studied carefully. At one time, before the present war began he expressed pro-Allied feelings, but observers agree he is not to be trusted. Here are his present views stated in Assembly, 26 December 1942: "Bulgarian policy is determined by the adherence to the Triple Pact (Axis). We accept all risks of the war which the Powers of the Axis are conducting. This policy I approve completely. The question of the future complexion of the world and of Europe --- Will it be Communist or National Socialist: That is the question. There is no middle course. We are determined on our choice. The Anglo-Saxons are not interested whether Russia or Germany wins. They want both sides to exhaust each other so that Capitalism can triumph. England and America will be compelled to choose between communism or national socialism. I repeat, capitalism is through! He will win who has given proof of his organizing genius, who carries the spirit of the new world, who has shown progress. In this I am convinced. If I were not convinced, I would not be such a staunch supporter of

> the policy which we have adopted. We have suffered from Pan Slavism in 1885 and 1913 -- it has always worked against us..." "Today we are almost completely unified. Neighbors of ours and even friends of ours figure that Bulgaria has received her unity as a gift. We haven't received anything as a gift -- we have won every inch of ground with quantities of blood.... Our army today fulfills its tasks. It maintains order here; it defends the quiet and order in southeastern Europe. It is ready to do its duty when the interests of the country demand it."

C. OTHER MEMBERS

ANASTASOV, IVAN

Deputy, Member, Agriculture Committee, 1942.

ANDREEV, DIMITER M.

Deputy. Rapporteur, Committee on Finance, 1942.

ANDREEV, NAIDEN

Deputy. Member, Military Affairs Committee

ANEV, KOSYU HR.

Deputy. Member Agriculture Committee, 1942.

ARNAUDOV, DIMITER AT.

Deputy. Member, Petitions Committee, 1942

ARNAUDOV, KIRO K.

Deputy. Member, Commerce and Petitions Committee, 1942.

ATANASOV, RASHKO

Deputy. Member, Committee on Internal Affairs, 1942

BAKALOV, LAZAR V.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Education, 1942.

BAGAROV, VELIZAR HR.

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee, 1942.

BAGRILOV, STEFAN IVAN

Deputy. Member, Committees on Internal Affairs, and Elections, 1942.

BAGRILOV, STEFAN IVAN

Deputy. Member, Petitions Committee, 1942.

BALKANDZHIEV, IVAN

Deputy from Kirdzhali. Editor of Belo More, Kirdzhali weekly paper. Government supporter. Age about 45. Reserve officer. Windbag.

BALKANSKI, DR. PETKO STEFAN

Deputy. Secretary, Committee on Finance, 1942.

BATEMBERGSKI, IVAN B.

Deputy. Member, Committees on Education and Justice, 1942. President of the Bulgarian National Sports Federation. One of most ardent pro-Germans in the Assembly.

BESHKOV, IVAN

Deputy. (Probably from the Svishtov region.) Member, Finance Committee 1941-42. President Central Petroleum Importing Office.

CHALBUROV, GEORGI K.

Deputy. Member, Military Affairs Throne Speech Reply and Foreign Affairs Committees.

CHESHMEDZHIEV, ANGEL ST.

Deputy. Member, Foreign Affairs and Elections Committees, 1941-42.

CHOBANOV, VASIL P.

Deputy. Member, Commerce and Petitions Committees, 1942.

CHOLAKOV, DENU TS.

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee, 1942.

DEYANOV, DEYAN P.

Deputy. Secretary, Railroad Committee, Member of the Throne Speech Reply Committee in 1941-42.

DIMOV, STOYAN N.

Deputy. Member, Justice and Petitions Committees, 1942.

DOGRAMADZHIEV, PETER HRISTO

Deputy. Rapporteur, Public Works Committee, 1942. Member, Railroads Committee Architect.

DOLAPCHIEV, ANGEL VUL.

Deputy. Member, Public Works Committee, 1942.

DUMANOV, PETER N.

Deputy. Secretary of the Committee on Education, 1942. Member, Petitions Committee, 1942. Noted author.

DUROV, DR. NIKOLA IV.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Internal Affairs, 1942.

DÜRZHANSKI, ANGEL G.

Deputy. Member of the Committee on Petitions.

EKIMOV, EKIM

Deputy. Member, Foreign Affairs and Commerce Committees, 1942.

GANEV, ATANAS TSVETKO

Deputy. Secretary, Petitions Committee, 1942. Member, Justice and Agriculture Committees.

GANEV, SPAS

Deputy. Chairman, Railroads Committee Member, Committee on Finance, 1941-42. Engineer by Profession.

GATEV, ALEXANDER

Deputy. Member, Elections Committee, 1942.

GEORGIEV, DENYU

Deputy. Member, Committee on Education, 1942.

GEORGIEV, SERAFIM

Deputy. Government supporter. Ardent apologist for the Brannik organization. Interested in Macedonian affairs. Member, Committee on Internal Affairs, 1942.

GEORGIEV, DR. VASIL

Deputy. Member, Committee on Internal Affairs, 1942.

GIGOV, ALEXANDER S.

Deputy. Member, Military Affairs and Agriculture Committees, 1942.

GOGOV, DELCHO T.

Deputy. Member, Railroads Committee, 1942.

GRADEV, NIKOLA IVAN

Deputy. Member, Railroads Committee, 1942.

GROZDANOV, GAVRIL

Deputy. Member, Elections Committee, 1942.

GRÜNCHAROV, PETER D.

Deputy. Member, Petitions Committee, 1942.

GURKOV, IVAN

Deputy from Knezha district. Secretary, Public Works Committee, 1942. Member, Elections Committee. Architect.

IKONOMOV, DR. DIMITER N.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Education and Finance, 1942.

ILIEV, DIMITER

Deputy. Member, Elections Committee, 1942.

IOTOV, DR. IVAN K.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Internal Affairs, 1942.

IOVOV, MICHAEL

Deputy. Chairman, Military Affairs Committee, 1942.

IVANOV, IVAN K.

Deputy. Member, Petitions and Elections Committee, 1942.

HADZHI-KARAIVANOV STEFAN

Deputy. Secretary of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 1941-42.

HADZHI-PETROV PETER M.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Internal Affairs, 1942.

HAIDUDOV, IGNAT IL.

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee, 1942.

HALACHEV, SIMEON K.

Deputy. Member, Committees on Education and Elections, 1942.

HRISTOV, DOCHO N.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Internal Affairs and Petitions, 1942. Often gives speeches in behalf of the government. Demanded the ouster of all civil servants opposed to the "New Order."

KARAIVANOV, STEFAN V.

Deputy. Member, Elections Committee, 1942.

KARAPETROV, ALEXANDER K.

Deputy. Member, Railroads and Petitions Committees, 1942.

KELESHEV, BELYU B.

Deputy. Member, Public Works Committee, 1942.

KENDEROV, GEORGI P.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Internal Affairs, 1942.

KEREMIDCHIEV, IVAN SL.

Deputy, Member, Agricultural Committee, 1942.

KERKENEZOV, STEFAN SP.

Deputy. Member, Finance and Military Affairs Committees, 1941-42.

KIREV, DR. DIMITER

Deputy. President of the Union of War Wounded. Member, Education and Petitions Committees, 1942. From Borisovgrad district.

KISOV, BORIS STEFAN

Deputy. Member, Military Affairs Committee, 1942.

KLYANTEV, ENYU K.

Deputy from Aitos district. Member, Foreign Affairs Committee, 1942, and of the Elections Committee.

KLYAVKOV, ZAPRYAN N.

Deputy. Member, Military, Affairs and Agriculture Committees, 1942.

KONSTANTINOV, IVAN

Deputy. Member, Justice Committee. Represents Dobrudja interests.

KOLEV, MATYU IVAN

Deputy. Member, Agriculture Committee, 1942.

KOLCHEV, STAMO

Deputy. Rapporteur, Committee on Finance, 1942. Member, Military Affairs Committee, 1942.

KOSTADINOV, N.

Deputy. Member, Railroads Committee, 1942.

KOSTOV, DENI

Deputy. Member, Justice Committee.

KOVACHEV, MINCHO D.

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee, 1942.

KOVACHEVSKI, BOZHKO

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee, 1942. Government supporter. Political views: "The first duty of the government is to maintain the Bulgarian army at a high level. After this care, in order of importance come the expenditures for the newly freed territories. In this sphere, the primary task is education, and the second is public works--especially roads. It is necessary to create an all-embracing health plan with special preventative measures.

"Our propaganda service can achieve much if it is adapted to the national life.... The shortest road to the villages and towns must be sought here. Our church must distinguish itself more in the field of charity. In this way it will create a following (embrace the Macedonian etc. fold.)

"In the economic sphere the Government must only retain a guiding hand. The rest must be left to private initiative.. All economic services must be directed from a central place which has a council of active economists."

KOYUMDZHIEV, NEDELCHO STEFAN

Deputy. Member, Committee on Education, 1942.

KRÜSTEV, ALEXANDER G.

Deputy. Member, Railroads Committee, 1942.

KRÜSTEV, GEORGI T.

Member, Justice and Railroads Committees, 1942.

KRÜSTEV, GETO

Deputy from Sofia
Rapporteur, Railroad Committee.

KUNEV, DANIEL ZH.

Deputy. Member, Public Works and Petitions Committees, 1942.

KURSHEV, PETKO D.

Deputy. Member, Agriculture Committee, 1942. Interested in the farmers' cooperative movement.

LENKOV, GABRIEL STEFAN

Deputy. Rapporteur, Justice Committee. Member, Petitions Committee, 1942.

LIPOVANSKI, DR. GEORGI K.

Deputy. Member, Foreign Affairs and Finance Committees, 1941-42.

LOGOFETOV, NIKOLA P.

Deputy. Former Vice-president of the Assembly. Chairman, Justice Committee. Member of the Throne Speech Reply Committee in 1941-42.

NIKIFOROV, STOYAN HR.

Deputy. Chairman of "Parliamentary Committee on the Answer to the Throne Speech" (1942 and 1943). Member, Commerce Committee, 1942.

NINOV, GEORGI M.

Deputy. Member, Agriculture Committee, 1942.

NOVAKOV, TOTYU M.

Deputy. Member, Justice Committee, 1942

OBRESHKOV, OBRESHKO BL.

Deputy. Member, Petitions Committee, 1942.

PAVLOV, SVETOSLAV M.

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee, 1942.

PETKOV, GEORGI STEFAN

Deputy. Member, Agriculture Committee, 1942.

PETKOV, MILETI N.

Deputy. Member, Commerce and Elections Committees, 1942.

PETKOV, TSVETKO

Deputy. Chairman, Elections Committee. Member, Committees on Internal Affairs, Public Works, and Petitions, 1942.

PETROV, IVAN VASIL

Deputy. Member, Foreign Affairs and Finance Committees, 1942.

POPOV, DR. ATANAS

Deputy. Member, Public Works, Elections, and Petitions Committees. Strong government supporter.

POPOV, AT. G.

Deputy. Rapporteur, Commerce Committee, 1942.

POPOV, BOGDAN

Deputy. Pro-Axis. Staff writer for Dnes.

POPOV, BORIS P.

Deputy. Member, Railroads Committee, 1942. Government supporter. President of the General Union of Bulgarian Workers (appointed). Member of the Executive Committee of "Labor and Joy" under the Directorate of Professions.

POPOV, IVAN

Several times member of National Assembly from Ardino. Lawyer, Not too honest. Comes from Kirdzhali.

POPOV, LAZAR M.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Education, 1942.

POPOV, TSVETAN

Deputy. Chairman of the Election Verification Committee of the Assembly.

PRASHTILOV, BOZHIL P.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Finance. 1942.

RAODANOV, GEORGI STEFANOV

Deputy. Member, Agriculture Committee, 1942.

RADIONOV, STEFAN

Deputy. Member of Throne Speech Reply and Military Affairs Committees, 1942.

RADOLOV, ALEXANDER HRISTO

Deputy. Member, Justice Committee.

RAFAILOV, DR. G.

Deputy. Rapporteur, Committees on Finance and Justice, 1942.

RASHKOV, GEORGI V.

Deputy. Member, Petitions Committee, 1942.

RUSEV, IVAN ATANAS

Deputy. Member of the Throne Speech Reply Committee in 1941-42, and of the committee on Internal Affairs.

SAKARSKI, MARKO D.

Deputy. First rapporteur, Committee on Education, 1942. Member, Elections Committee.

SAKAROV, DR. NIKOLA

Deputy. Member, Committee on Finance, 1941-42. Advisor to Supreme Council on Labor.

SARADZHOV, DIMITER G.

Deputy. Member, Committees on Internal Affairs and Elections, 1942.

SAVOV, PETER

Deputy. Member, Committees on Finance and Elections, 1941-42. Represents the Haskovo district.

SHISHKOV, GEORGI D.

Deputy. Secretary, Military Affairs Committee, and Answer to the Throne Speech, 1942.

SHISHKOV, DR. PETER M.

Deputy. Representing Drenovo district. Member, Foreign Affairs and Petitions Committees, 1942.

SIMEONOV, SIMEON

Deputy. Chairman, Agriculture Committee, 1942. Vice President of the General Union of Bulgarian Farmers (Agrarians).

SIVINOV, ANGEL D.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Internal Affairs, 1942.

SLAVKOV, ILIYA D.

Deputy. Member, Agriculture Committee, 1942.

SLAVOV, SVETOSLAV M.

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee, 1942.

STANCHEV, SIRKO

Deputy. Chairman, Commerce Committee, 1942.

STANKOV, DR. PANAIT

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee, 1942.

STATELOV, STEFAN

Deputy. Rapporteur, Railroads and Petitions Committees, 1942.

STATEV, HRISTO

Deputy from the Sofia area. Writes anti-Russian articles, but was definitely pro-U.S. before the war broke out. Lawyer. Member, Throne Speech Reply and Agriculture Committees in 1941-42.

STOILKOV, TASKO

Deputy. Member, Military Affairs and Elections Committees, 1942.

STOYANOV, ANGEL

Deputy. Represents the interests of the Dobrudja province. (Possibly elected from there.)

STOYANOV, DICHO TOD.

Deputy. Member, Petitions Committee, 1942.

STAUNDZHEV, SHIKO P.

Deputy. Member, Justice Committee, 1942.

SULTANOV, NIKOLAI V.

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee. Represents the Yambol district. Spokesman for small merchants.

SVINAROV, GEORGI ZH.

Deputy. Member, Agriculture Committee, 1942.

TODOROV, D.

Deputy. Interested in the raw silk industry.

TSVETKOV, VASIL

Deputy. Secretary, Justice Committee, 1942.

TUKACHIEV, HRISTO ST.

Deputy. Member, Public Works and Elections Committees, 1942.

TYUTYUNDZHIEV, MARIN IVAN

Deputy. Chairman, Petitions Committee, 1941-42. Member, Committees on Education and Throne Speech Reply, 1941-42.

UZUNOV, DONCHO D.

Deputy. Member, Commerce Committee, 1942.

VASILEV, NIKOLA IVAN

Deputy. Member, Finance Committee, 1941-42 Spokesman for industrialists and merchants.

VASILEV, SLAVEIKO

Deputy. Chairman, Public Works Committee, 1942.

VASILEV, VASIL TSVETKO

Deputy. Member, Petitions and Elections Committees, 1942.

VAZOV, DR. IVAN K.

Deputy. From the Stara Zagora district. Chairman, Committee on Education, Rapporteur, Military Affairs Committee, 1942.

VELCHEV, VASIL HRISTO

Deputy, Member, Public Works Committee, 1942.

VIREV, D.

Deputy. Friend and supporter of Dobri Bozhilov and his financial policies.

VULCHEV, MARIN GR.

Deputy. Member, Agriculture Committee, 1942.

VULCHEV, TSKEO D.

Deputy. Secretary, Agriculture Committee, 1942.

ZAGOROV, ALEXANDER V.

Deputy. Member, Committee on Education, 1942.

ZHECHEV, DANAIL

Deputy. Member of the Throne Speech Reply Committee, 1941-42.

III. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRIES

A. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

ALTIMIROV

Appointed Director, Censorship Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, July 28, 1943. Former head of the Censorship Commission. Replaces Studenov.

ALTÜNOV, IVAN*

Chief of the Political Section, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Family from Plovdiv. Professor of International Law, Sofia University.

AVRAMOV, MIHAIL

Chief Secretary of the Press Directorate.

BONCHEV, BONCHO M.

Chief, Directorate of Nationalities Questions Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Also Region (Oblast) Chief of general duty.

DIMITROV, BORIS

Chief of the Information Service of the Dress Directorate. A good journalist but a slippery customer.

DOBREV, KIRIL

Economic councilor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. January 1943 -- received high award from the Italian government through Graf Magistrati, the Italian Minister.

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*Ü is pronounced as u in much.

DOICHEV, U.P.

Former Bulgarian consul in New York. Returned to Bulgaria in 1942. Employed in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Doichev has been in the U.S. so long that he is more American than Bulgarian. He would be a great help to occupation forces.

IVANCHEV

Official, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Got medal from Poglavnik.

KARADZHOV, DR.

Chief of protocol, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Until February 1943 Minister to Italy.

KARANDZULOV

High official in the Department of Protocol, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

KESYAKOV, B.

High official of Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Has ministerial rank.

KUZUPOV, L. (?)

Official, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Medal from the Poglavnik.

NAUMOV, DIMITER

Formerly Bulgarian Minister at Washington. Now employee, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. As a young man he was attached to the Royal Palace. He speaks English fluently and is an agreeable man with whom to deal. After returning to Sofia in the summer of 1942, he appeared to be pro-German in his sentiments, but whether by conviction or by political discretion is not known.

PETSEV, N.

Chief, Consular and commercial department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Rank of Minister. Formerly at Rome.

RADEV, SIMEON

Official of Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Personal friend and advisor of the King. Former Minister to the United States. Will pretend to be friendly toward Allies, but his wartime activities should be checked carefully. Rank of Minister.

SARAFOV, K.M.

Director of Cults, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Rank of Minister.

SERAFIMOV, GEORGE

Press Director (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) since March 1943. Formerly Chief Secretary of the Ministerial Council. Has the rank of Envoy (Minister). Age 52. Educated in Germany.

SHISHMANOV, DR. HRISTO

Chief Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Rank of Envoy. Former Minister to Paris and Rome. Wife is American. Has large family. Sister is Lady Muir.

STRATIEV, IORDAN

Official of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Formerly Minister to Slovakia.

STRUBEL, IORDAN

Chief of Broadcasting. Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

STUDENOV, V.

Former head of Press Censorship, Min. of For. Affairs. Resigned on July 28, 1943. Was formerly an editor of Slovo and may have returned to that post.

ZOGRAFOV, BORIS

Director, Bulgarian Telegraph Agency, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

B. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

(Region and District Directors and the Police Officials who all come under the jurisdiction of this ministry are listed separately).

BALKANSKI, DR. IVAN

Director of National Health, under the Ministry of Interior. Man of considerable character and vision. Educated in Russia and friendly both to the pan-Slavic idea and the Allies. Has held virtually all health offices at one time or another.

GOLYUBOV, ASEN

Former Chief Secretary, Ministry of Interior. Replaced 10 June 1943 by Alexander Zhelev

YANULOV, ALEXANDER

Chief of the Department of Social Needs and Charities, Ministry of Interior. Member of "Labor and Joy" executive committee.

ZHELEV, ALEXANDER

Chief Secretary, Ministry of Interior. Replaced Asen Golyubov about June 10, 1943. Formerly Director of Communes and Social Needs at the same Ministry.

C. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE

ARNAUDOV, B.

Director of the Budget, Ministry of Finance.

DASKALOV, P.

Director of State Privileges and Exise, Ministry of Finance.

GESHEV,

Director of Pensions, Ministry of Finance.

GUNEV, KIRIL

Director of the Bulgarian National Bank. Former Minister of Finance (1935/36) Able man. Tries to do as little as possible to aid the Germans.

HRISTOV, DIMITER

Region (Oblast) Taxation Chief at Skopie.

HRISTOV, NIKOLAI

Second Assistant Director of the Bulgarian National Bank.

KOSEV, P.

First Assistant Director of the Bulgarian National Bank.

STEFANOV, G.

Region (Oblast) Financial Inspector for Skopie (Ministry of Finance).

UZUNOV, STEFAN

Director of Customs, Ministry of Finance. Replaced D. Mitkov who had held the position since 1934.

ZHELEZKOV

Chief Secretary of the Ministry of Finance.

D. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

BABEV, B.

Director of Internal trade at the Ministry of Commerce. This directorate is now within the new Directorate of War Economy headed by Aladžhov. Succeeded Godechki in June 1942.

BALEV, BORIS

Secretary of the Directorate of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce.

BOICHINOV, NIKOLA

Appointed Director of Labor at the Ministry of Commerce on December 1942. Born in Drenovo. Attended "Aprilov" Gymnasium at Gabrovo. Higher and law education at Sofia and Zagreb. Judge. Private law practice in Pleven. In 1931/33 was President of the Pleven Okrug Standing Committee, "Postoyanna Komisiya" President of the Pleven Attorneys Council 1935. Since 1935 Legal Advisor to the directorate of Labor and Social Security. Chairman of Supreme Council on Labor's standing Committee.

DELEV

Official, Directorate of Foreign Trade, Min. of Commerce. Speaks a little English. Received medal from the Croatian Poglavnik.

DIMITROV, IOSIF L.

Chief Inspector, Directorate of Foreign Trade.

DIMITROV, IVAN

Member of standing committee of the Supreme council of Labor, Ministry of Commerce.

DOCHEV, MOMCHIL

Official of the Ministry of Commerce. Connected with the Directorate of Food Exports until June 1942.

GEORGIEV, DIMITER

Assistant Director, Directorate of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce.

HADZHI-STOIKOV, BORIS

Official of the Ministry of Commerce. Former Director of Food Exports.

KALPAZANOV, IVAN

Mobilized as National Director of Tanning, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, July 1943. Noted industrialist from Gabrovo.

KAROSEROV, DR. IVAN

Director of Food Exports, under the Ministry of Commerce. (Within the Directorate of Wartime Economy). Since his office has a purchase monopoly on virtually all national products, his post is one of the most important in the country.

KOVACHEV, DR. GRIGOR

Chief of Minister N. Zahariev's personal cabinet, Ministry of Commerce.

KULOV, PETER A.

Supply Commissar for Sofia since January 1943 (Ministry of Commerce). Formerly vice president of the Sofia Oblast Court. Born in Turgovishte (Osman Pazar) 1903. Law degree Sofia Univ. 1926. Judge. Assistant Prosecuting Attorney of Sofia Oblast Court 1939-1942. 1942/43 vice president of same court.

NEDELEV, BORIS

Chief of the Department of Labor at the Directorate of Labor (Ministry of Commerce). Member of Executive Committee of "Labor and Joy".

PAVLOV, VASIL

Chief Commissar of Supply under the Ministry of Commerce. (This Commissariat of Supply is now part of the new Directorate of War Economy.)

PULEV, ALEXANDER

Member of standing committee of the Supreme Council of Labor, Ministry of Commerce.

STOYANOV, TSVETAN

Councilor, Directorate of Food Exports, ministry of Commerce.

TSONEV, LYUBEN

Former Director of Foreign Trade at the Ministry of Commerce (now part of the Directorate of War Economy created in 1943). Dismissed by Filov 30 July 1943 shortly after receiving a medal from the Poglavnik.

VATEV, G.

Chief Secretary, Ministry of Commerce.

VUZHAROV, P.

Director of the Institute for Social Security at the Ministry of Commerce.

E. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

BELOGUSHEV, BOZHIDAR K.

Assistant Chief of the Department of National Culture, Ministry of Education.

CHAKALOV, PROF. LYUBOMIA

Rector of the Sofia University for the year 1943/44. Professor of Mathematics.

CHERKEZOV, IORDAN

Chief Inspector of Theaters and Libraries at Ministry of Education. Appointed June 1943. Born 28 February 1901 in Razgrad. Graduate of the Technical High school in Sofia. Graduate of actors course at the National Theater, and of the High Drama School (1932). Acting and directing experience in Bulgaria and abroad. Former director of Varna theater.

GANCHEV, G.

Chief Secretary of the Ministry of Education.

GYUZELEV, DIMITER

Director of Radio Skopie (occupied Yugoslavia).

HRISTOV, GRIGOR

Director of Intermediate Education, Ministry of Education.

KATSAROV, PROFESSOR D.

Rector of the Sofia university, "St. Clement of Ohrid" for the year 1942/43 and professor of Education. The university is under the Ministry of Education.

POLYANOV, VLADIMIR

Director of the National Theater. Noted Bulgarian writer.

PRAHOV, ASEN

Ruse Region (Oblast) School Inspector.

RAICHEV, R.

Chief of the National Library in Sofia. (Under Ministry of Education).

SKITNIK, SIRAK

Director of Radio Sofia until June 1943. Probably still connected with radio though the chief is now Iordan Strubel. Noted author. Sirak Skitnik is a pen name.

STOYANOV, VESELIN A.

Director of the government Academy of Music in Sofia since 15 May 1943. (Under the Ministry of Education). Born 7 April 1902 in Shumen. Graduate of Shumen Gymnasium in 1920 of the Music Academy at Sofia in 1926 and of the Vienna Academy of Music in 1930. Has taught theory at the Sofia Academy since 1937 and written two operas.

SYAROV, P.

Region (Oblast) School inspector for Stara Zagora.

VASILEV, STEFAN POP

Chief of the Department of National Culture of the Ministry of Education. This department was created in 1942 to supervise all entertainment and cultural organizations as well as to conduct cultural propaganda among the youth and conclude cultural conventions with other countries.

VLSENKOV, ESTO

Chief of Broadcasting, Radio Sofia.

F. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, POSTS AND TELEGRAPH

LAZAROV, G.

Official of the Ministry of Railways. Bulgarian representative on the German sponsored International Danube Commission. Engineer by profession.

KALCHEV, ENG.

Chief, Department of Traffic, Directorate of Railways under the Ministry of Railways.

KUPOV, G.

Director of River Shipping, Minister of Railways.

MINEV, IVAN

Postmaster General, Ministry of Railways. Civil Engineer.

NENOV, ENG. NIKOLA

Director of Water Communications, Ministry of Railways.

POPOV, ENG. GEORGI

Director of Railroads since 1942, having replaced Eng. Filipov.

YANKOV, G.

Head of the Chief Directorate of Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones under the Ministry of Railways.

G. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS

RANKOV, IVAN

Director of City Planning, Ministry of Public Works. Noted Engineer.

SHTILYANOV, ENG. N.

Director for the Electrification of Northern Bulgaria under the Ministry of Public Works.

SÜRMADZHIEV*

Director of Constructions

VATOV, IVAN

Chief Secretary, Ministry of Public Works.

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H. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND OF THE HIGHER COURTS

AVRAMOV, VLADIMIR

President of the Supreme Court of Cassation. Former Minister of Railroads, Posts, Telegraph and Telephone (from 19 November 1938 to December 1940.) Born 12 January 1880 in Kalofer. Law degree from Sofia University. Became a judge and rose to Chief Prosecutor in the Supreme Court of Cassation. President of the Bulgarian Jurists Council and of the Union for Combatting Juvenile Delinquency.

GEORGIEV, N.

President of the Supreme Administrative Court (somewhat comparable to our Supreme Court).

HRISTOV, NAUM

Judge at the Supreme Court of Cassation.

MIHAILOV, KONSTANTIN

Judge. Member of the Executive Committee of "Labor and Joy".

I. OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

ANDREEV, KOTSO

Director of Agriculture and Livestock, Ministry of Agriculture. Graduated from Sofia University in 1925 with a degree in Agriculture. Reserve officer (fought 1916-18). In 1924 he was accused of being a Communist. Chief of Animal Husbandry division of Department of Agriculture 1935-1941. Third ranking man after H. Petrov and Boris Iliev in the Ministry of Agriculture.

BIRNIKOV, DIMITER

Chief, Department of Agricultural Education, Ministry of Agriculture.

DIMITROV, ASEN

Director of National Resources, Ministry of Agriculture.

DONEV, IVAN

Chief, Department for Improvement of Rural Life, Ministry of Agriculture.

FETVADZHIEV, ST.

Director of the Bulgarian Agricultural Cooperative Bank under the Ministry of Agriculture.

GYUROV, DR.

Director, Veterinary Department, Ministry of Agriculture.

ILIEV, DR. BORIS

General Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture.

KADUIVANOVSKI, DR. YACHO

Commissar of Fish Supplies since May 1943 (Ministry of Agriculture). Formerly inspector at the Sanitary - Veterinary Directorate under the Ministry of Agriculture.

KALINOV, DR.

Chief of the Economic Section, Ministry of Agriculture.

KIROV, KIRO T.

Director of the government Meterological Institute, Ministry of Agriculture. Has held this post since before 1930. Speaks some English. Friend of King Boris. In 1933/34 had sincere pro-American feelings.

LESHTOV, ASEN

Chief Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture.

RADOSLAVOV, PROF. ENG. TODOR ST.

Director of the Directorate of Waters, Ministry of Agriculture. Born Tirnovo, October 1879. Grade and high school Tirnovo and Sofia. Graduate of Military Academy (40th class). Studied mathematics and won Scholarship in construction engineering. Graduate of Berlin Technical "Hochschule", department of hydraulic Engineering. Since 1926 in the Hydraulic department of the Ministry of Agriculture---rose to chief of the department. Has participated in planning all major hydraulic and power works in the country. Author of several books.

STOYANOV, ILIYA

Director of Forests, Ministry of Agriculture.

IV. OFFICIALS OF SEMI-AUTONOMOUS DIRECTORATES AND COMMISSARIATS

ABADZHIEV, BOYAN

President, Shumen Region Economic Chamber (under Ministerial Council).

ALADZHOV, DR. PETER

Supreme Commissar of Wartime Economy since 18 May 1943. (The Directorate of Wartime Economy incorporates the Directorates of Food Exports, Foreign Trade and International Trade, and the Supply Commissariate all under the Ministry of Commerce.) Previously Director of the Commercial Bank.

Born in Tirnovo 25 September.1908. Graduate of Tirnovo Commercial High School, of the Prague Commercial Academy and the University of Berlin. Ph.D. in Economics. Ten years banking experience. Good organizer.

BABANOV, K.D.

President, Skopie Region Economic Chamber (under Ministerial Council).

BEKYAROV, GENERAL

Director of Civilian Mobilization (supervised by the Ministry of War.)

BELCHEV, S.M.

President, St. Zagora Region Economic Chamber (under Ministerial Council).

BELEV, ALEXANDER

Commissioner for Jewish Questions since September. 1942 Offered to resign in March 1943 when his policy of expelling the Jews was attacked in the National Assembly and by the people in general. His resignation was not accepted. Formerly a jurist at the Ministry of Interior.

BOZHINOV, SIMEON

High official, Directorate of Professions. Advocates "political indoctrination" for all workers.

GEORGIEV, MIRCHO

Assistant Director of the Directorate of Professions. Member of the Executive Committee of "Labor and Joy".

HADJI-DIMITROV, ALEXANDER

Oblast Inspector of Professions in Kiustendil.

KARAKUNEV, TSANKO

Formerly Commissar for the Dobrudja. Reported Director of Vrasta Oblast in 1943.

KERKENEZOV, STEFAN

President, Pleven Region Economic Chamber (under Ministerial Council).

KISIOV, SIMEON

General Inspector for War Economy (under Aladzhov) since 10 August 1943. Was formerly (1941) director of the Skopie Region.

KOTSEV, BORIS

Director of National Propaganda since November 1942. First to hold this office since formerly it functioned under a Chief Inspector (N.Kolarov). Kotsev was formerly Director of the Stara Zagora Region (Oblast).

MARINOV, DR. PETER

Commissioner for meat supplies, Commissariate of Supply.

MUSTAKOV, LIANKO

Member of the War Economic Council created in March 1943 and embracing the Directorate of Domestic Trade, Foreign Trade, Cereal Exports, the Chief Supply Commissariat and the Directorate of Civil Mobilization. Was mayor of Varna for eight years. Established private engineering practice in Varna on 10 May 1943, so his duties may be regional, or he may even have resigned.

NAUMOV, V.A.

President, Aegean Region Economic Chamber (under Ministerial Council).

PETROV, M.

President, Burgas Region Economic Chamber (under Ministerial Council.)

RIZOV, H.E.

President, Bitolya Region Economic Chamber (under Ministerial Council).

SHUMELOV, N.

Director of Professions, under the supervision of the Ministerial Council. Has Region (Oblast) Chiefs under him.

SPIRIDONOV, ENG. IORDAN

Director of the Pernik Mines.

STOMANYARSKI, HRISTO

Chief of the Bitolya Region (Oblast) Inspectorate of Professions.

VASILEV, N.I.

President Sofia Region Economic Chamber (under Ministerial Council).

VESHKOV, I.A.

President; Ruse Region Economic Chamber (under Ministerial Council).

YANEV, TOMA

Chief Inspector at the Directorate of Professions in charge of supervising the "Labor and Joy" organization and secretary of its executive committee.

ZAIMOV, HRISTO

High official in the Directorate of National Propaganda.

V. MEMBERS OF THE KING'S RETINUE

GENTCHEV

Major General (Retired). Director of the King's estates and intimate and influential friend of King Boris.

GRUEV

Chief of the King's personal Cabinet. Official greeter of all visiting dignitaries for over 20 years.

HANDZHIEV, DR.

Member of King's retinue. Rank of Envoy.

KOSTOV, DR. PETER

Member of King's retinue.

MALCHEV, CAPT.

Member of King's retinue.

MORFOV, DR. P.

Member of King's retinue. Has title of Legation Secretary.

POMENOV

Chief of the King's Chancellery. Has rank of Envoy. Old friend of King Boris.

SEVOV, ARCHITECT

Influential friend of King Boris. "The king seldom undertakes anything of importance without his advice."

ZHECHEV, GENERAL

Aide de Camp to King Boris.

VI. HIGH RANKING MILITARY LEADERS

AIRYANOV

Major General; Commander of the Air Force. Engineer.

BAKARDZHIEV, NIKOLA

Retired General of Infantry. Replaced by Gen. Bekyanov as Director of Civilian Mobilization in May 1942, allegedly on German pressure. Age 62. Born in Tirnovo.

BOIDEV, VASIL

Lieutenant General, Commander of the Bulgarian V Army (actually an army corps) with headquarters in Skopic, Occupied Macedonia. The 14th and 15th divisions, one cavalry and two frontier guard brigades are under his command.

DASKALOV, GENERAL TEODOSI

Minister of War in the Filov Cabinet until April 1942 when he was succeeded by General Mihov, the present Minister of War. He was replaced in the Cabinet because of the disturbances in the army at Easter 1942. His fault was that he did not foresee and eradicate anti-Axis activity in the army. He was thought to be lukewarm in his support of the Axis.

GANEV, ANTON

Major General, commander of the Compulsory Labor Corps (Trudovaks).

KAROV, COL.

President of the Supreme Military Tribunal replacing General Nikifor Nikiforov who was charged with treason in April or May 1943.

LUKASH, KONSTANTIN

Lieutenant General of Infantry since May 1943. Chief of Staff of the Bulgarian Army. Pro-German and loyal to King Boris. Formerly commander of the Sofia garrison. Age 52. Born in Plovdiv.

MARINOV, MAJOR GENERAL

Commander of 15th division in Macedonia (at Bitolya) Elevated to Major General in June 1943.

MARKOV, IVAN HRISTOV

Major General. Commander of the II Army (Corps) with headquarters at Plovdiv, including the 3rd, 8th, and 10th divisions. Age 53. Born in Sevlievo. Possibly replaced in February 1943 by General Mitev.

MITEV

Major General. Reported on 20 February 1943 as being Commander of the II Army at Plovdiv. Also reported to be most pro-German among the officers and that when the Germans suggested him for the Ministry of War, Filov declined on the basis that Mitev is unpopular with the army and the government.

NAKOV, N.

Major General, Commander of the I. Army with headquarters at Sofia, including the 1st and 17th divisions and a mechanized brigade.

NEDEV, NIKOLA

Reserve General. Minister of Interior from 20 Nov. 1938-1940. Born in 1886 in Tirnovo (Has son Dimiter). Graduate of Sofia Military Academy and Bruxelles Ecole de Guerre (1914). Fought in Balkan and World Wars. 1919-1929 taught military sciences. 1930-1932 Military Attache at Ankara, Athens and Rome. Author of several military books.

NIKOLOV, ASEN

Major General. Commander of the "Serbian Occupation Army" with headquarters at Nish, including the 7th, 9th, 21st divisions. In April the 1st division was also included.

NIKOLOV, COL. VLADIMIR

President, Military Court of Appeal. Formerly Chief Prosecutor for that Court.

SIRAKOV,

Colonel. Commander of the Thracian defence unit including the 16th division and a White Russian regiment.

STEFANOV, A.

Major General. Commander of the IV Army with headquarters at Pleven, including the 5th and 6th divisions.

STOICHEV, NIKOLA

Major General of Artillery. Commander of the III Army with headquarters at Shumen, including the 2nd, 4th and 12th divisions. Age 51. Born in Kosteneto Banya.

ZHILKOV, ATANAS

Major General in the cavalry. Inspector of cavalry in 1938. Age 54. Born in Plovdiv.

VII. OBLAST DIRECTORS AND ASSISTANT DIRECTORS

ANGELOV, MIHAIL

Former Director of Plovdiv Region (Oblast) (1941-1943) Replaced Rusev.

DASKALOV, DIMITER

Director of Plovdiv Region (Oblast). Formerly government inspector in that area. Replaced Mihail Angelov early in June 1943.

DOCHEV, DR. IVAN

Assistant Director of the Aegean (Belomorie) or Ksanti Region.

GEREDZHIKOV, GENERAL HRISTO

Director of Sofia Region (Oblast) prior to 7 December 1941 and since April 1942. In the interim was Director of the Aegean Region. Considered ablest administrator. He is General in the reserve.

GUTSOV, HRISTO

Director of the Burgas Region (Oblast) since October 1942. Replaced A. Kozarov who became Police Chief in Sofia. Formerly Director of the Bitolya Region (Oblast) of occupied Yugoslavia (1941-1942).

HRISTOV, NIKOLA

Assistant Director of the Plovdiv Region (Oblast). Assasinated 23 July 1943

KAZANLIEV, BORIS

Director of the Pleven Region (Oblast).

KLECHKOV, DR. STEFAN

Director of the Aegean or Ksanti Region (Oblast) in occupied Greece since April 1942. Preceding him from May to December 1941 was Iliya Kozhuharov and from December 1941 to April 1942 General Hristo Geredzhikov.

KOLAROV, NIKOLA

Oblast Director on General Duty. Appointed 15 November 1942. Born 24 January 1902 in Dupnitsa. His family came from Tsarevo Selo (Yugoslav Macedonia). Primary and high school education in Dupnitsa. 1934 graduated from Free University. Associate Professor of International Law in the Free University in 1938 and retained similar capacity when the University was changed to a State School of Financial and Administrative Sciences in 1941. Director of "Tselokupna Bulgaria" appearing in Skopie. Up until 15 November 1942 he was Chief Inspector for National Propaganda. Kolorov is a staunch Macedonian, and believed to have belonged to the Ivan Mihailov faction. He is about the only formerly active Macedonian of the IMRO in the government.

MARINOV, M.

Director of the Vratsa Region (Oblast) in 1942. May have been replaced by Tsanko Katakunev in 1943.

MILADINOV, HRISTO

Deputy Director of the Bitolya since November 1942. When Gutsov was transferred to Burgas, Miladinov as assistant Director took over his duties, but as late as May 1943, no regular Director had been appointed.

NENOV, K.

First Assistant Director of the Skopie Region (Oblast)

NESHEV, IVAN

Director of the Ruse (Dobrudja) Region (Oblast).*

PENEV, ST.

Director of the Shumen Region. (Oblast)

PETROV, DR. T.

Second Assistant Director of the Skopie Region (Oblast).

PUDAREV, K.

Assistant Director of Sofia Region (Oblast).

RAEV, DR. DIMITER

Director of the Skopie Region (Oblast) in occupied Yugoslavia.

VLADOV, DIMITER

Assistant Director of the Ruse Region (Oblast).

ZLATEV, VLADISLAV P.

Oblast Director of Stara Zagora, appointed 15 November 1943 to replace Boris Kotsev who became director of National Propaganda. Born 30 August 1898 in Bebrovo village, Elena district. High school in Tirnovo. Law degree from Sofia University. Until August 1940 private law practice in Tirnovo. 1941/42 was Jurisconsul of the Ministry of Agriculture and State Domains. Is reserve officer.

* This region was created in 1941 incorporating the portions of the Dobjudja ceded by Rumania and the northern portion of the former Shumen Region.

VIII. DISTRICT (OKOLIE) CHIEFS

BOYADZHIEV, ANTON

Chief of the Prilep District (Okolia).

BOYADZHIEV

Director of the Lom District (Okolie).

CHIMEV, METODI

Chief of Sveti Vrach District (Okolia).

DALKALÜCHEV, K.

Chief of the Pirdop District (Okolia).

DILOV, IVAN HRISTO

Chief of the Shtip District (Okolia).

DIULGEROV, S.

Chief of Pleven District (Okolia).

DUMEV, P.

District (Okolia) Chief of Skopie. Replaced Vasil M. Mitev in November 1942.

DZHONEV, ATANAS

Chief of the Sofia District (Okolia).

EVSTATIEV

Chief of Tutrakan District (Okolia).

HAICHEV, ILIYA

Chief of Bitolya District (Okolia).

KALÜPOV, G.

Chief of the Kumanovo District (Okolia).

KAPARASHEV, STEFAN

Chief of the Tirnovo District (Okolia).

KOLAROV, ILIYA

Chief of the Chirpan District (Okolia).

MILTENOV, LIUBEN

District Chief (Okolic Director) of Kiustendil.

MITOV, VASIL M. (Possibly Nitov)

District (Okolic) Chief on general duty attached to the Region office at Skopie. Was chief of the District prior to November 1942, but replaced because of failure to combat Communism in the District.

NASTEV, NIKOLA

Chief of the Krushovo District (Okolia).

NENCHEV, K.

Ohrid District (Okolia) Director.

POBIENSKI, IVAN

District (Okolic) Chief of Vrenya (occupied Yugoslavia).

POPOV, IVAN APOSTOL

Chief of Pravishte District (Okolia) [located in Greek Thrace].

RADEV, DR. RADI

Chief of Gevgeli District (Okolia). Engineer. Studied in Germany. Was Chief Engineer of the Sofia radio - telegraph station prior to 1930.

STANEV, STEFAN

District (Okolia) Chief of Lukovit.

STOICHEV, V.

Chief of Silistra District (Okolia).

TANCHEV, ST.

District (Okolia) Chief of Resen.

TSONEV, IVAN

Chief of the Giumiurdzhino (Komotini) District (Okolia).

IX. THE MAYORS

ANTONOV, ALEXANDER

Mayor of Demir-Hissar (Siderocastro).

ANTONOV, M.

Mayor of Kumanovo

BAICHEV, TSVETAN

Mayor of Vidin.

BALEVSKI, IOAKIM

Mayor of Troyan.

BUCHVAROV,

Mayor of Dobrich. Engineer by profession.

BONEV, B.R.

Mayor of Strumitsa.

DIMITROV, GEORGI

Mayor of Kurdzhali. Formerly District Chief at Ardino and Commander of the Kirdzhali garrison (rank Lieutenant Colonel in the reserve).

DOCHEV, IVAN

Mayor of Silistra (Southern Dobrudja) till June 1943. Since then Chief of the Section on Large Families at the Ministry of Interior.

DRAGANOV,

Mayor of Lom.

DRUMEV, P.

Mayor of Tutrakan (Southern Dobrudja).

ELENKOV, TSVETKO

Mayor of Berkovitsa.

FAITONDZHIEV, PETER

Mayor of Pernik.

FETVADZHIEV, HRISTO

Mayor of Stara Zagora.

FORTUNOV, T.

Mayor of Tirnovo.

GEORGIEV, G.

Mayor of Batak.

HARALAMPIEV, HRISTO

Mayor of Shumen.

IVANOV, ENG. IVAN.

Mayor of Sofia since 1934. Extremely efficient and progressive.

KITINCHEV, SPAS

Mayor of Skopie.

KLINCHEV, P.

Mayor of Gabrovo. (Assistant Mayor - Krotev. an architect).

KOLEV, ENIO

Mayor of Ksanti (Xanthe).

KOLEV, NIKOLA K.

Mayor of Veles.

KOTSAREV, ILIYA

Mayor of Ohrid.

KULEV, VELICHKO

Mayor of Kriva Palanka.

LEKARSKI, DR. IVAN

First Assistant Mayor of Sofia.

MALCHEV, PETER

Mayor of Plovdiv. Former Director of the Commercial school in Plovdiv. Has been mayor before. Capable, progressive. (Other mayors of the last ten years are Manolov, Bozhidar Zdravkov)

MINCHEV, M.N.

Mayor of Polikraishte village.

NENCHEV, ILIYA

Mayor of Bitolya (Bitoly) until May 1943. (Replaced by Eng. Hristo Svetiev).

METODI, NOCHEV

Mayor of Prilep. Engineer by profession.

PANAIOTOV,

Mayor of Doiran.

PANCHEV, DR. B.

Assistant Mayor of Skopie.

PANCHEV, IORDAN

Mayor of Kochani.

PRÜVCHEV, DIANKO *

Mayor of Burgas.

RAEV, N.

Mayor of Shtip.

RAINOV, IORDAN

Mayor of Giumiurdzhina (Kornotini).

ROBOV, DR. K.

Assistant Mayor of Bitolya.

SAMOKOLIEV, ANASTAS

Assistant Mayor of Prilep.

SHIRKOV, NIKOLAI N.

Mayor of Vladishki Han, Moravski Raion (Occupied Yugoslavia).

SHTIPLIEV, D.

Mayor of Kavala.

STARTSEV, K.

Mayor of Ruse. Engineer by profession.

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STOILKOV, HRISTO K.

Second Assistant Mayor of Sofia.

SVETIEV, ENG. HRISTO

Mayor of Bitolya, appointed in May 1943.

VULCHEV ST.

Mayor of Pleven.

X. POLICE OFFICIALS

ANGELOV, SMIL E.

Vratsa Oblast Police Chief. Formerly Police Commandant of Haskovo.

BALTOV, DELCHO

Chief of Motorized Police at Skopie (occupied Yugoslavia). Formerly District Police Chief at Zilyahovo (Greek Macedonia.)

BOGDANOV, ASEN N.

Appointed on 3 January 1943 as Oblast Police Chief of Skopie. Formerly Assistant Police Commander of Sofia. Replaced St. Simeonov who becomes Oblast Police Chief in Ruse.

BOTUSHAROV, I.

Police Commandant (not same as Chief of Police) at Skopie (occupied Yugoslavia).

CHAVDAROV, DIMITER

Appointed Police Commander of Sofia Region in February 1943. Was Police Commander in Shumen.

GEORGIEV, SVETOSLAV

Chief of the Department "Uniformed Police" at the Directorate of Police. Formerly Police Commandant at Sofia.

KOLAROV, DANAIL

Chief of the Economic Police, Sofia.

KONSTANTINOV,

Chief of the Criminal Police, Sofia.

KOZAROV, ANTON

Chief of Bulgarian Police under the Ministry of Interior since October 1942. Formerly Director of the Burgas Region (Oblast). Spends most of his time trying to keep Macedonia quiet. He succeeded H. Dragolov.

POPOV, IVAN YA.

Assistant Police Commandant of Sofia. Formerly Oblast Police Chief of Vratsa.

RASHEV, PAVEL

Police Commandant at Haskovo. Formerly Chief of Motorized Police at Skopie.

SIMEONOV, ST.

Region Police Chief of Shumen Oblast.

STEFANOV, STEFAN POP

Chief of the government Police School -- Skopie. Formerly Police Commandant of Pleven.

TSANKOV,

Inspector of Public Security at Skopie (occupied Yugoslavia).

TSANKOV, TSANKO

Director of the Government Police School at Pirot (occupied Yugoslavia).

XI. HIGH MEDICAL OFFICIALS

ZUBOV, DR. T.

President of the Red Cross. President of the Executive Committee of "Labor and Joy" (appointed). /Labor and Joy is a recreation and cultural organization under the Directorate of Professions and is in some way tied up with the Ministry of Railways. The heads of most government unions are on the executive committee./

GEKOV, DR. (M.D.)

Director of the Workers Hospital "Queen Ioanna" in Sofia.

XII. NOTED LAWYERS

FADENHECHT, DR. IOSIF

For many years dean of Sofia lawyers and president of the governing council of the Union of Bulgarian Lawyers (retired in May 1943). From one of the old Bulgarized central European families. A leading public figure in Sofia.

KARAGIOZOV, TODOR

Chief prosecutor, Sofia Oblast Court.

NASLEDNIKOV, BORIS

Noted criminal lawyer in Sofia. Reported to have pro-Allied sympathies.

TUMPAROV, VLADIMIR

Noted Sofia criminal lawyer. Is member of the defense in most important cases. In May 1943, defended the Aric brothers, Vladimir Slavkov and I. Kovachev -- unsuccessfully -- in the "Soap affairs". All four were hanged.

XIII. LEADING JOURNALISTS

A. EDITORS AND DIRECTORS

ALEXIEV, RAIKO

President of the Society of Bulgarian Artists. Owner and editor of Shturets, weekly humorous paper. He and Alex. Bozhinov are the two best cartoon artists in Bulgaria. Shturets often reveals the true temper of the people in political jokes and cartoons better than any other published source.

ATANASOV, PETER

Owner-Editor of Duma Sofia paper appearing on Monday's and holidays. Circulation 30,000. It is a "yellow" sheet, existing mainly on blackmail. It is anti-semitic, uses vulgar language, and is entirely devoted to German propaganda. Atanasov also owns Ilyustrovana Politika, weekly picture magazine.

BORSUKOV, GEORGI

Editor of Duga, Sofia Monday paper and editorial writer for Utro.

BURZITSOV, HRISTO D. *

Director of Dnes, conservative Sofia daily. Writes editorials. Extremely pro-Nazi. Was editor of Mir until 1942.

DAMYANOV, ATANAS

Director of Utro, Sofia daily and principle share-holder in "Imprimeries Reunies" S.A. which publishes Utro, Dnevnik, Zarya etc. He is described by a Jewish emigree as a "man without character who would lend himself to anything." Formerly wrote for Dnevnik.

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DAMYANOV, STEFAN

Junior Editor of Posledna Poshta, special Monday paper. Son of At. Damyanov. Also on the editorial board of Dnevnik. Called "Unprincipled young man who lacks culture."

DIAKOVICH, ALEXANDER

Vice president of the Sofia Journalists' Association and one of the editors of Zora.

DRAGOSHINOV, IVAN

Owner and director of Posledna Poshta, Sofia Monday paper with a circulation of 40,000. Pro-German tone.

FILIPOV, EVGENI

Editor of Slovo, Sofia daily with a circulation of about 25,000. Violently pro-Nazi.

GENOVICH

Assistant Editor and Staff writer for Utro and Dnevnik.

GRUEV, SIMEON

Editor in chief of Dnes, semi-official Sofia daily with a circulation of over 40,000.

IOSIFOV, IOSIF ST.

Owner and editor of Burgaski Far, Burgas daily.

KIRKOV, YURII

Director of La Parole Bulgare.

KONSTANTINOV, LUKA

Owner and editor of Varnenska Poshta, Varna daily.

KOZHUHAROV, TODOR

Deputy. Director of Slovo. Minister of Railroads, P.T.T. April 1935 - December 1935. Born in Sliven, 1891. Graduate of the Military Academy. Served under (general) Hristo Lukov in Knyazhevo NCO school (artillery). Fought with distinction in both wars. Entered Reserve as Captain in 1920. Became writer and then director of Slovo. Elected to National Assembly after 1923 (several times). Member of the executive committee of the Union of Reserve Officers. Good orator. Wrote books and pamphlets. Newspaper crusader.

Slovo, with a circulation of 60,000 is printed at the "Stopansko Razvitie" printing house. Slovo was kept afloat for many years financially by Jack Aseov, rich Sofia Jew, who now lives in New York City. The paper is uninfluenced, but quite pro-government.

KRAPCHEV, DANAIL

Editor of Zora, Sofia daily; writes the editorials. Principle shareholder in "Bulgarski Pechat", company that owns "Zora". In spite of his swashbuckling style Mr. Krapchev is often a keen observer of events. One must say of him that he does not often descend to the puerilities that now characterise the writings of so many of his contemporaries.

Krapchev was born in Prilep, Macedonia and attended Gymnasium there. One of the most dynamic personalities of the Bulgarian Press. Krapchev is instigator of several political assassinations. He strongly endorses the government's present pro-German and anti-Semitic policies.

Zora, owned by Bulgarski Pechat, has a daily circulation of 150,000. The financial situation of the papers is excellent. "Its policy is 100% pro-German due to the fact that the Macedonian circles which influence it have always fought for the liberation of their country.

KRUSTEV, KIRIL ST. *

Editor of Rusenska Poshta, Ruse daily. Co-owner of the paper with Bikov (possibly Dikov).

KUPENKOV, KOSTA

Owner and director of Praznichni Vesti, Sofia Monday paper with a circulation of 40,000. Pro-German. Praznichni Vesti and Posledna Poshta are printed by the same concern that puts out Slovo, Dnevnik and Zarya. Kupenkov may be co-owner with Ivan Dragoshinov of both papers.

NAUMOV, S.

Co-Editor with Stefan Damyanov of Dnevnik, independent, sensational Sofia daily with a circulation of about 15,000. Part of the Imprimeries Reumies, S.A.! Paper follows pro-Axis line.

NIKOLOV, ANTON

Director of Vecher, Sofia daily. "An unscrupulous rogue." Vecher and Dnes are government subsidized papers of propagandistic nature.

PANCHEV, NIKOLA

Editor in Chief of Vecher, Sofia daily.

PARMAKOV, SIMEON P.

Editor of Podem, a small paper published in Silistra (Dobrudja).

PISKOVSKI, IVAN

Owner and editor of Borba, Plovdiv daily.

POPOV, GRIGOR

Editor of Razgradsko Eho, Razgrad semi-weekly.

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PROTICH, V.

Editor of La Parole Bulgare, Semi official bi-weekly paper edited in Sofia for propaganda purposes.

STANCHEV, Kr. T.

Editor of Zarya, reasonably conservative, independent Sofia daily. "An elderly and relatively honest journalist." Reports both sides of the war -- mostly between the lines as does Mir.

TANEV, STEFAN D.

Editor of Utro, an independent, sensational Sofia daily with a circulation of over 150,000 (largest in the country). "One of the least scrupulous Bulgarian Journalists") His daughter Asya is a clever political writer on his paper.

TASEV, P.

Editor in Chief of Mir, conservative Sofia daily. Representing the point of view of Petko Stainov member of the opposition in the National Assembly. One of the principle stockholders of the Mir publishing Co. His paper is influenced by Francophile and pro-ally circles. Minister of Interior, Gabrovski has threatened to hang Tasev for the numerous pro-Allied articles he has published. Mir and Zarya are the only papers which risk their existence by alluding, often between the lines, to Allied successes and even the eventuality of an Allied victory. (Other principle shareholders in Mir are Atanas Burov, Yablanski and Gubidelnikov.

TRIFUNOV, IVAN

Director of Zora, Sofia daily.

B. LEADING WRITERS

ANDREEV, NIKOLA NAIDEN

Writer for *Slovo* on international subjects. "One of the better propaganda writers." Also writes for *Dnes*.

ARSHINKOV

Staff writer on *Zora*

BADEV, IORDAN

One of the leading propaganda writers in Bulgaria. Writes for *Zora* and *Dnes*.

BONCHEV, MATEI

Under the pen name "Brushlyan" (Ivy) Bonchev is the leading "muckraker" for *Zora*. He is excellent in pointing up inefficiencies in the govt. and weaknesses of the Bulgarians in general, but his occasional excursions into the realm of foreign affairs follow the general pro-German line of the paper. He writes many editorials.

BOSHKOV, D.

On the editorial board of *Dnes*, Sofia daily. Former managing editor of that paper.

BOYADZHIEV, GEORGI

Writer for *Slovo*.

BOZHINOV, ALEXANDER

The leading Bulgarian caricaturist. Born in 1878. Graduate of the Bulgarian Academy of Arts at Sofia. He is the author of several books. He is a well-known humorist. His political caricatures are published in *Zora*.

BOZHINOV, DRAGAN

Frequent contributor to Dnes and Slovo on political questions.

DALKALUCHEV, KLIMENT

Political writer for Dnes and Vecher.

DOBRYANOV,

Staff writer for Dnes.

DONCHEV, KIRIL

Staff writer for Dnes, Sofia semi-official daily.

GANCHEV, ALEXANDER

Editorial and political writer for Slovo and Dnes. "Agressive pro-Nazi and one of the most prolific writers of propaganda in the Bulgarian press. He is probably a convinced pro-Nazi, not just a paid agent." Was military attaché under King Ferdinand.

GENOV, PROF. G.P.

Professor of International Law, Journalist and Author. Represented Bulgaria at Neuilli and is likely to do so next time. His writings on international questions have great influence on the more intelligent public opinion. Wrote often boldly against the Peace Treaty. Founder and director of the Otets Paisi Society molded somewhat on the V.D.A. -- the society is in moderate opposition to the government but it is tolerated. Writes chiefly for Zora.

GEORGIEV, MIHAIL

Writes for Dnes.

GUBIDELNIKOV

Journalist and one of the principal shareholders of *Mir*, Sofia daily and of the "Mir" publishing house. Leader in the People's Party (Narodnyatsi) which would like to negotiate with the Allies.

KRAPCHEV, LIUBEN

Journalist (possibly brother of Daniel Krapchev, editor of Zora). Member of Exec. Committee of "Labor and Joy".

LANGOV, MIHAIL

Political writer for *Dnes*.

NEDKOV, TODOR

Frequent contributor to *Slovo*.

NIKOLCHEV

Staff writer for *Zora*.

PAVLOV, DIMITER

Prominent Sofia Lawyer. Writes for *Dnes* and other papers on Military matters, particularly the Submarine War -- naturally in pro-Axis vein.

PESHEV, TODOR

Frequent contributor to *Dnes*. Reserve officer.

POPOV, BOGDAN

Staff writer for *Dnes*.

RIZOV, DIMITER

Writes for *Slovo*.

STAICHEV, NIKOLA P.

Staff-writer for Zora.

STOYANOV, ANDREI

Professor of piano at the Bulgarian State Academy of music. Music Critic. Graduate of Robert College (1910). Non-aggressive pacifist personally well disposed toward America. Writes occasionally for Mir, leading liberal paper opposed to the government. Has a good article on essay on "tolerance" in Mir of 22 February 1943. Amazing how it passed the censor.

TACHAUER, BOGESLAV

Press attaché at the Hungarian legation. Now relieved of his duties as representative of the Hungarian Telegraph Agency which he had held in Sofia for 22 years. He is president of the Assoc. of Foreign journalists. His place with the Hungarian Telegraph Agency was taken by Laslo Bolgar.

TALEV, DIMITER

Writer on political questions for Zora.

TRIFONOV, TRIFON

A young man associated with the Zveno group in the publication of the review "Brazda". He is said to retain his anti-German views, though he cannot express them in his articles in Mir.

VAZOV, BORIS

Retired General (in his seventies). Former Mayor of Sofia. (Brother of poet Ivan Vazov.) Writes in Dnes as a spokesman of the upper classes who fear Communism. Former editor of Mir.

VENEDIKOV, IORDAN

Writer on military affairs for Zora, general in the reserve.

VLADIKIN, LIUBOMIR

Writes articles against United States and England in Bulgarian Press, notably Dnes. Pro-German.

XIV. CONSULAR AND DIPLOMATIC OFFICIALS ABROAD

A. MINISTERS AND ENVOYS

BALABANOV, NIKOLAI

Bulgarian Minister to France.

BELINOV, ELIYA

Minister to Slovakia since February 1943. Formerly Chief of Protocol at Ministry of Foreign Affairs. (Replaced by Karadzhov). Belinov replaced Iordan Stratiev who was returned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

BOYADZHIEV, IVAN

Bulgarian Minister to Portugal. Probably has pro-Allied leanings since the Germans protested against his being sent to Lisbon.

DRAGANOV, PURVAN

Minister to Spain since February 1943. Previously (1941) Minister to Serbia. Reported to be a close friend of King and sent to Madrid to engineer deal with Allies if Bulgaria is in danger.

KIOSSEIVANOV, GEORGE

Minister to Switzerland. From 1935 to 1940 Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs. Formerly Minister to Yugoslavia and a member of the King's retinue. Close friend of Boris and therefore sent to Bern. Has stated Bulgaria will not try to block Allies.

KIROV, SAVA

Minister to Turkey.

MECHKAROV

Minister to Croatia since 1942. Formerly Press Director under Minister of Foreign Affairs.

NIKOLAEV, DR. ALEXANDER

Minister to Sweden since February 1943. First Bulgarian Minister to that country. 1941-1943 Press Director (Minister of Foreign Affairs). Is also accredited to Finland.

PEEV, YANKO

Minister to Japan.

PETROV-CHOMAKOV, STOYAN

Minister to Rumania since 1940. Member of a family close to the king and known to have pro-Allied sympathies. Formerly member of King's retinue.

STAMENOV, IVAN

Minister to USSR. Able career diplomat. Formerly adviser to the King and his personal friend.

ZAGOROV, SLAVCHO

Minister to Germany. Rockefeller fellow at Harvard in Business and Finance (1935 or 36). Chief of Statistical Institute in Sofia (Economic Research) 1937/8. Professor of Business at Sofia, University. Minister of Commerce (preceding Zahariev) 1940 to 1942. Official of Bulgarian-German society in Berlin.

B. CONSULAR AND OTHER OFFICIALS

ALTUNOV, BORIS

First Secretary, Bulgarian Legation, Rome. Tends to be pro-Allied. Has been thwarted in efforts to become Minister so might be subject to MO.

BALEVSKY, MAJOR

Military Attaché, Budapest.

CHOKALOV, MAJOR NIKOLA

Appointed Military Attaché to Madrid and Lisbon, February 1943.

GUCHEV, STEFAN

Press Attaché, Bratislava (Slovakia). Appointed, 14 October 1942.

MIKOV, DIMITER

Consul General in Milan since April, 1943. Formerly in Vienna and Paris.

MIKOV, HRISTO

Bulgarian Consul General at Tirana, Albania. Appointed 6 June 1943.

OBRESHKOV, DR. VASIL

Press Attaché, Bulgarian Legation, Stockholm.

POPOV, STEFAN

Press Attaché, Vienna. Formerly in Berlin.

SHOPOV, STEFAN

Bulgarian Consul General in Belgrade, Serbia.

SLIVENSKI

Bulgarian Consul General in Prague. Formerly Consul General in Tirana, Albania.

ZLATIN, IVAN

First Secretary, Bulgarian Legation, Berlin.

XV. OFFICIALS OF LABOR, COMMERCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL GOVERNMENT SPONSORED UNION

BANKOV, BANKO

President of the General Union of Bulgarian Farmers (Agrarians). On the Executive Committee of "Labor and Joy". Agricultural Engineer by profession. Former Minister of Agriculture.

BURILKOV, Z.

President of the General Union of Bulgarian Industrialists.

DIKOV, GRIGOR

President of the General Union of Agricultural Cooperatives and Regional Cooperative Organizations.

DIMITROV, IVAN

Chief Secretary of the General Union of Bulgarian Workers (government union).

KEMILEV, ASEN

Chief Secretary of the General Union of Bulgarian Industrialists. Member of Executive Committee of "Labor and Joy."

LESHTOV, ASEN G.

Chief Secretary of the General Union of Bulgarian Farmers (Agrarians).

LUKOV, ASPARUH

Chief Secretary of the General Union of Bulgarian Merchants. Member of Executive Committee of "Labor and Joy".

MLADENOV

President of the Union of Liquor Dealers.

PLOCHEV, T.

President of the General Union of Bulgarian Tradesmen (Craftsmen). /One of seven government unions. All officers appointed by the government./

SPASOV

Pro tempore president of the Union of Bulgarian Exporters

VÜLEV, D. *

President, General Union of Bulgarian Merchants. On standing committee of Supreme Council on Labor.

YANEV, G.

Chief Secretary of the General Union of Bulgarian Tradesmen (Craftsmen). Member of Executive Committee of "Labor and Joy".

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XVI. LEADERS OF MILITARY YOUTH AND WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

BURDAROV, DR. P.*

President of the Union of Reserve Officers.

IVANOVA, DIMITRANA

Perennial president of the Bulgarian Women's Union.

KARAIVANOV, PROF. GEORGI

Appointed Chief of the Bulgarian Youth Organization, "Brannik", replacing Stefan Klechkov on 6 July 1943. Director of the Government Academy for Physical Education.

MILKOV, RADI

President of "Bulgarian Aeroclub" and Vice President of the Bulgarian National Sports Federation. Colonel in the Reserve.

PARASHKEVOV, GRIGOR

Secretary of the Bulgarian-German Society in Sofia.

ROBEV, DR. IOSIF

President of the Union of Reserve Non Commissioned Officers.

STOILKOV, ZAHARI

Deputy Chief of "Brannik". Awarded "Order of the German Eagle" in April 1943. Staff chiefs under him are Filipov and Stefanov.

TSVETKOV, BOGOMIL

Chief Organizer on the staff of "Brannik".

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VASILEV, S.

President of the General Union of Reserve Soldiers (organization incorporating all reserve soldiers, N.C.O. and officers unions). Appointed October 1941.

XVII. POLITICAL FIGURES TO BE RECKONED WITH AT THE END OF THE WAR

A. RIGHT WING (GICHEV) AGRARIANS

ATANASOV, NEDEIKO

Minister in Stambuliski Regime. Fled to Yugoslavia in 1923. Broke with left wing "Pladne" Agrarians and returned to Bulgaria in 1932 in the general amnesty. He is a middle of the road -- Gichev or Markov Agrarian. Best loved in Bulgaria of the Stambuliski group. Comes from Tirnovo and Svishtov areas. Last reported under surveillance in Orehovo.

Born in Slomer village (Tirnovo District) in 1881. High School in Svishtov and Tirnovo. Sofia Univ. Grade school teacher 14 years. Agrarian since 1899 but active in the Union from 1908. Elected to National Assembly five times. April 1920 to July 1921 Minister of Railroads. 1921/22 (November) President of the National Assembly; 1919/20 Vice president. At odds with Obbov and the "Pladne" group during and since his exile.

DELISKI, IVAN

Assistant to Gichev and important leader in the right wing Agrarian party.

DIMOV, VIRGIL

Minister of Public Works 1932/34. Brother-in-law of Gichev -- follows his policy. Ambitious, corrupt -- bad influence on Gichev and helped cause party split. One of the leaders of the Agrarian party.

GICHEV, DIMITER

Leader of the Agrarian Party (the right wing of the Agrarian movement). Changes his policy often. Reported to be against Germany, but also against the People's (Naroden) Front (union of Pladne Agrarians, Socialists and Workers). Former Minister of Agriculture 1931-34 "Without strength of character, mercenary -- compromised himself with the "Camarilla "the IMRO and the Italians. His efforts to become absolute head of the Agrarian Party split the party. Good while in opposition but slipped when in power.

KOTSEV, DIMITER

Leader of a right wing, pro-Allied Agrarian faction. Former jurisconsil of the Public Works Ministry. Capable -- possible candidate for anti-German Ministry.

MARKOV, GEORGI

Former president of the National Assembly. Leader of a right wing faction of Agrarians. Pro-Allied, capable; canditate for anti-German Ministry. Comes from Popovo district.

PETKOV, NIKOLA

Brother of a murdered follower of Stambuliski. Very wealthy. Independent Agrarian with personal following. Not compromised and very ambitious, but doesn't have the capacities of his brother.

STAMBULISKI, ASEN

Son of Alex. S. Also in Agrarian Party. Ability not known. Was in Sofia in 1936.

STEFANOV, STOIL

Agrarian and former diplomat. Good informant.

STOYANOV, HRISTO

Younger friend of Nedelko Atanasov and spiritual leader of his group. Shared exile with Atanasov. Stands for true peasant democracy and friendship with Yugoslavia. /NT. According to a CID report he was a member of the Stambuliski government, but the Agrarian Year Book of 1922 does not even list him as a deputy./

YORDANOV, NIKOLA

A peasant, living on the land and farming it. Protestant faith. Personal friend of Stambuliski.

One of most active and most courageous members of the Agrarian Party. Minister of Public Works 1931/32 though without administrative experience. Eliminated to make room for Dimov. Still faithful to the idea of a strong and united Agrarian Party. Advanced type of Bulgarian peasant.

B. LEFT WING "PLADNE" AGRARIANS IN BULGARIA AND IN EXILE

DIMITROV, GEORGI M.

President of the "National Committee for a Free and Independent Bulgaria" (Todorov -- vice chairman). Left wing (Pladne) Agrarian leader friend of Kosta Todorov. In British pay. Reported in Jerusalem in January 1943. Comes from Lovech district. Escaped with British Embassy in March 1941. Twice condemned to death, last time for abortive revolt in 1941 but escaped country. Dimitrov is a medical doctor. Lived in Sofia on Gladstone St. in 1936, Policy of Free Bulgaria: "opposing the Bulgarian dynasty and including Bulgaria in a future Greater Yugoslavia" according to U.P.Doichev. Sounded reasonable and made good impression on Sharenkov in 1936, but like all Agrarian leaders he is a career man. G. Dimitrov supports the Peoples Front (Naroden Front), a union of workers, Socialists, and Left Wing (Pladne) Agrarians.

Dimitrov was elected to the Assembly in 1931 and in the Assembly and through his articles in "Pladne" fought IMRO and government. Denounced Agrarians who became ministers. For peasant democracy. Some source considers him "absolutely reliable."

MATSANKIEV, DIMITER

"Pladne" Agrarian. Broadcaster on BBC to Bulgaria. Member of Free Bulgaria Committee. Member of Balkan post-war economic planning board. Lawyer by profession.

OBBOV, ALEXANDER

"Pladne" Agrarian leader. Reported in Bulgarian concentration camp. Shared exile 1923-1932 with Kosta Todorov etc. One of the oldest Agrarians, demagogue, ambitious, hard to manage. On worst possible terms with nearly all Agrarian leaders. In 1939 Kosta Todorov told Sharenkov that Obbov was "weak, unfaithful and crooked". Minister of Agriculture under Stambuliski 1921/23. Vice president of National Assembly 1919/20. Advocated sincere rapproachement with Yugoslavia. Born in Pleven, 1887. Graduate of Agricultural School (high school). Law degree in Sofia. Elected to Assembly from Tirnovo district 1919. Publicist. Appointed Minister of Agriculture 21 May 1921.

PAVLOV,

One of principle members of Georgi Dimitrov's Agrarian group.

TODOROV, KOSTA

One of the leaders of the Left Wing, "Pladne", Agrarians, now in Canada attempting to organize a "Free Bulgaria" movement. Writes articles and broadcasts in behalf of British propaganda. Paid by Yugoslavia and the British. Born in Moscow (Bulgarian parents). Educated in Russia. Macedonian Komitadzhi for 2 years. Cartoonist and writer. Seven years in Odessa prison as member of an anarchist group. University degree while in prison. 1913/14 Student in Belgium. 1914 Joined French Foreign Legion and fought in France. 1915 special mission for French at Saloniki front -- offering peace terms to Bulgarian General Staff. Condemned to death but kept in Sofia and Shumen prison. 1916 met Stambuliski in prison. 1918 released and became secretary in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the Stambuliski government, but did not join the Agrarian party. Member of Peace Conference delegation. 1921/23 Minister to Belgrade. 1923/31 exile in Yugoslavia and other countries. Joined Agrarian Party. Tried to organize coup d'etat. Spent some time in U.S.A. 1931 Amnestied. In Bulgaria off and on since then. Good writer.

VULKOV, VELIKO

One of principle members of Georgi Dimitrov's Agrarian group.

C. "ZVENO" GROUP

GEORGIEV, KIMON

Prime Minister 19 May 1934 to April 1935. Member of "Zveno" group and very active in the coup d'etat. Owns salt evaporating plant at Burgas. Now under surveillance in Burgas. His government disarmed the IMRO. Is definitely among those who could help in the post-war reconstruction.

KALENDAROV

Important member of the "Zveno" group.

KAZASOV, DIMO

"Zveno" editor. Leader in 1934 coup d'etat. Minister to Belgrade 1934/35. Now in Bulgaria (April 1943). Valuable for post-war reconstruction.

STOICHEV, COLONEL VLADIMIR

Important in "Zveno" coup d'etat. Noted horseback rider.

VELCHEV, DAMYAN

Former head of the Officers League. Was the instigator (together with Zveno group) of the coup d'etat of 19 May 1942. Former head of the Sofia Military College. Condemned to death in 1936 but commuted and later released. May be in touch with Mihailovich. Under surveillance and possibly in concentration camp.

D. OLD LINE BOURGEOIS PARTY LEADERS (OTHERS UNDER NATIONAL ASSEMBLY)

BUROV, ATANAS

Leader (Executive Head) in the Demokraticheski Sgovor. Former Minister of Foreign Affairs in Lyapchev's government. Not popular among the masses. In favor of Union with Peoples (Naroden) Front. Has large mining interests in the Burgas Area. "Imbued with his own importance, very ambitious and loving an easy life". Owns much stock of the Paris Subway. Inactive in last war despite avowed love for France and Russia. Now also passive in a mild opposition group. "Prototype of Bulgarian middle class with its qualities and deficiencies".

DANEV, DR. STOYAN

Former Prime Minister and Minister of Interior and Finance (1913, 1918-20). Still active. Formerly member of the Peoples Progressive party which entered the Democratic Entente in 1923.

GIRGINOV, ALEXANDER

Second to Mushanov in leadership of the Democratic Party. Under surveillance in Sofia. Former minister (1931-1934).

KOSTURKOV, STOYAN

Head of the Radical Party. Minister of railroads 1931-1934. Born in Panagyurishte. Taught school and as a teacher entered political life. 1919 was Minister of Education. "He is a sound and honestly devoted administrator". Modest to a fault. "Never succeeded in playing an eminent part in Bulgarian political life, in spite of his honesty and strength of character. This is probably the reason for his and his party's lack of success".

MADJAROV, MIHAIL

Former Minister at St. Petersburg and London. Veteran political writer. Graduate of Robert College.

Warned in Mir in 1941 against Bulgaria becoming involved in war with America (Last such statement in Bulgarian press).. Madjarov is now about 85 years of age. Lives in complete retirement in Sofia. Still a friend of America and England. Advocated friendship with Yugoslavia. Strong in the Zgovor Party (Narodnyak).

MOSHANOV STOICHO

Former (1938/39) president of National Assembly. Leader with Mushanov of the Democratic Party. Was outspoken critic of the government for a time, but has now withdrawn in his shell. Does not want to be accused of collaborating. Member of standing committee of the Supreme Council on Labor. Some observers do not trust him. He was kept out of the present National Assembly by Filov because of his pro-British views. Moshanov is a nephew of Nikola Mushanov.

SMILOV, BOYAN

The leader of a wing of the Liberal Party. Former minister. Will probably make a bid for Allied support during the reconstruction period, but he should be watched carefully. Will pretend to have been friendly toward Allies.

TONCHEV

Next after Boyan Smilov in hierarchy of the Radoslavist Liberal wing. Allies should avoid cooperating with him after the war despite his protestations of friendliness.

TOSHEV, ANDREI

Former Prime Minister. Long political career. Though very old, tours the country speaking for the Government. Chauvinist. Should not be trusted unreservedly after the war. Belonged to Radoslavov Party.

YABLANSKI

One of principal shareholders of Mir newspaper and publishing company. Member of the Peoples Party. (Democratic Union)

E. SOCIALISTS AND COMMUNISTS

CHESHMEDZHIEV, GRIGOR

Among leading Socialists in Bulgaria.

DIMITROV, GEORGI

A prominent Bulgarian Communist Leader. He was forced to leave Bulgaria after the downfall of Stambolisky in 1923. He spent some years in Germany where he was accused of complicity in connection with the famous Reichstag Fire and was tried on this charge in Leipzig. After his acquittal he went to Russia where he is now. He still maintains connections with Bulgarian radical elements and might come back if conditions should become favorable. Was Secretary of the III International at the time of its dissolution.

DYUKMEDZHIEV, LIUBEN

Leading Communist in Bulgaria. Lawyer in Sofia since 1920. Several times in National Assembly from the "Workers Party". Lives at 29 Zhurnalist St., Sofia. Has striking white hair combed back. Has two sons, the older, Tshavdar, is about 27 years old. Reported in concentration camp 1941/42 but released 1943.

DZHIDROV, (DR.) P.

Formerly one of the leading men in the Bulgarian Socialist movement and a man of liberal views. His present position is not clear, but he has written many pro-Axis articles for Slovo etc.

NEICHEV, DIMITER

Secretary of the Socialist party. Next to K. Pastuhov in party hyrachy.

PASTUHOV, KRUSTYU

Bulgarian Socialist Party leader. Right wing Socialist. Against Soviet Russia, but also against Germany.

SAKUZOV, YANKO

Socialist leader. Former Minister. If alive should be counted on in reorganization of the country.

F. INDEPENDENTS AND CHURCH LEADERS

ANTONOV

Bulgarian Minister to Berlin until fall of 1942. (Replaced by Slavcho Zagorov.) Was removed on German insistence because of his anti-Axis utterances. Could have escaped and joined government in exile, but preferred to remain in Bulgaria under surveillance so that he could be on hand to help the Allies at the proper time.

BAGRYANOV, IVAN

Minister of Agriculture, November 1938-40. Born in 1891 in Razgrad. Graduate of the Military Academy, Sofia. Fought in the Balkan Wars. Member of King Ferdinand's Military Staff in the World War and continued as such under King Boris. Retired and went into farming; he had large and very modern farms. In 1937 elected Deputy in the National Assembly from Razgrad. President of the Shumen Chamber of Commerce. Very strong and ambitious and was ousted as the result of trouble with Filov.

POPOV, IVAN

Former Minister of Foreign Affairs under Filov from 1940/42. Popov is a Mason and a good Rotarian. Some believe that he is not pro-German at heart. He took no active stand in foreign policy in favor of the Axis. Former Minister to Belgrade. Lukewarm Axis supporter.

STEFAN, ARCHBISHOP

Bishop of Sofia, Director of the Holy Synod. Very outspoken in his criticism of the present government and is in a dangerous position. Very pro-Allied. One of the leaders of the "All-Bulgarian league"--"Otets Paisi", of which G.P. Genov is head. Educated in Russia.

TSANKOV, PROTOPRESVITER STEFAN

One of leading Bulgarian Church men. Professor at the University and former Rector. Pro-Allied (in dangerous position). Friendly to the Americans, to the YMCA and to the Protestant Church. Has been in America several times. Is now in touch with Rumanian, Greek, Yugoslav and Swedish clergy for anti-Nazi fight. Says: "Not enough people know what a Nazi victory would mean to the Bulgarian Church."

YOTOV, NIKOLA

Minister of Justice from November 1938 to 1940 (?) Born in 1893 in Pazardzhik. Graduate of Sofia University with Law Degree. Deputy in the National Assembly 1931/34 (May 19). Cabinet member under Andrei Toshev in 1935.

G. KEY MACEDONIAN LEADERS IN BULGARIA

ANASTASOV, GRIGOR

Noted Macedonian with pan Yugoslav leanings. Disillusioned Mihailovist. Represented Macedonia for short time at Geneva. Former member of the Skupshtina. Organized a non-Mihailovist immigrants congress in 1934. Advocates understanding with Yugoslavia.

CHKATROV, ENGINEER DIMITER

Next after Ivan Mihailov in the IMRO and contact man for him in Sofia. Member of famous Macedonian family from Prilep. Consulted often by Ministers Yotsov and K. Partov on Macedonian problems. Large crowd met him and his brother when they visited Prilep in January 1943. Was one of the nine students involved in the Skopie trial of 1922 in which they were condemned to a total of 105 years in prison for anti-government activity.

CHKATROV, DR. IORDAN

Less important in the Macedonian movement than his brother, Dimiter. M.D. in Sofia.

KURTEV, VLADIMIR

Important Macedonian leader. Refused offer by King Boris to enter the cabinet in December 1942. Was head of the Macedonian Faction of the National Assembly 1931/34. Opposed to Zveno group (because it destroyed IMRO.)

STANISHEV, DR. ALEXANDER

President of the Bulgarian-German Association. Member of a leading Macedonian family and several times president of the Macedonian Brotherhoods which are not far removed from the IMRO. Together with Dimiter Chkatrov and Vladimir Kurtev he is the unofficial head of the Macedonian movement and handles its relations with the government.

TATARCHEV, DR.

Leader of Bulgarians in Macedonia. Spokesman. Well informed. Outstanding for his unheeded protests to the League of Nations on Minority rights in Macedonia. Not tied up with IMRO's fighting wing.

H. POLITICAL FIGURES ABROAD (OTHER THAN LEFT WING AGRARIANS)

ASEOV, JACK

Jewish financier--very wealthy. Owner of "Royal" and many other Sofia theaters and buildings. Comes from Dupnitsa. Belonged to Socialist Party. Now refugee in New York City.

BLAGOEVA, STELLA

Daughter of D. Blagoev, Bulgarian who founded Socialism in Russia (1884). Lives in Moscow. Gives radio talks to Bulgaria.

KOLAROV, VASIL

Secretary of the Bulgarian Communist Party. Now in Moscow. Wrote article in "Istoricheski Zhurnal", 1942, No. 9 on the 1941 Drama Region revolt, stating that the people of Thrace are Bulgarian.

KONFINO, NISIM

Bulgarian Jew. Bulgarian announcer for BBC in London.

LUKANOV, TODOR

Former Communist leader. Was thrown out of the party, but lives peacefully in Russia. His son under the name A.V.Beltzev is fighting as a Lt. General (since 27 March 1943) on the northern Sector above Moscow and formerly fought in Spain. Lukanov is still interested in Bulgaria.

MOMCHILOV, NIKOLA

Former Bulgarian Minister to London. 1934/36 (approximately) Governor of the Bulgarian National Bank. 1936/38 Bulgarian permanent diplomatic representative at Geneva and Bulgarian Minister to Switzerland. 1938/41 Bulgarian Minister to London and the Hague. 4 March 1941 resigned post as protest to Bulgarian-German alliance. Hitherto politically inactive. Reported organizing government in exile (February 5). Also heads inter-European economic committee for studying post-war economic problems.

VLAHOV, DIMITÜR

Communist Macedonian leader. Now in Moscow. Keeps Soviet Russia aware of the Macedonian problem.

XVIII. ECONOMISTS AND BUSINESSMEN FAVORABLE TO THE ALLIES

BOCHEV, STEFAN

President of Insurance Co. "Bulgaria." Offered ministerial post by Kiosseivanov and Filov (finance). Protestant faith. Exceedingly pro-Allies. One of best economists in the country. Lying low so as to be available when Allies win.

BOSHKOV, LYUBEN

Former Director of Bulgarian Railroads. Engineer by profession. Very pro-Allied, but doesn't leave the house nor communicate with anyone so he won't be considered pro or anti-Nazi. Now is in private import-export business with Germany. Was the "governor" of the Rotary Club when it disbanded (1940 or 41). Has visited America often.

HADJI-STOIKOV, BORIS

Former director of the Directorate of Food Exports (Hranoiznos). Studied in Germany. Director of the "Vitosha" Insurance Company.

KARAKASHEV, VLADO

Important businessman. Good friend of the Allies.

VASILEV, HRISTO

Commissioner of Supplies for Sofia area (under Ministry of Commerce) in 1940/41/42, Gasoline Administrator. Very pro-Allied, but is careful. His brother, Radi Vasilev is also pro-Allied.

XIX. FOREIGN DIPLOMATS AND GERMAN OFFICIALS IN BULGARIA

ALVAREZ, PALENCIA Y.

Spanish envoy to Bulgaria.

ARNOTHY-JUNGERTH, MICHEL

Hungarian Minister to Bulgaria.

BECKERLE, GUSTAV

German Minister to Bulgaria. Obergruppenführer in the Nazi hirachy. Intrigues with Bulgarian leaders and interferes with internal affairs, so is heartily disliked. Supports Minister of Interior Gabrovski.

CHOBANOOGLU, COL.

Turkish Military Attaché in Bulgaria.

CRISTU, ION

Rumanian Minister to Bulgaria since 7 May 1943 when he replaced Karanfil.

DRAGER, DR.

German Consul General in Kavala. Sponsor of many Bulgarian-German cultural societies. Artists brought from Germany to entertain them.

DREXLER

Chief of the Gestapo in Bulgaria. Bulgarian citizen of German nationality. Former university porfessor. Ruthless. Places special emphasis on corrupting individual officials.

FREVEL, ENGINEER OTTO (Oberregierungsrat)

Head of German Labor Commission in Sofia. Says: by acquiring "German culture and discipline" Bulgarian workers in Germany will help Bulgaria to rise above other countries after the war.

HATZ, LT. COL.

Hungarian Military Attaché in Sofia.

ISHUN, BURHAN

Turkish Consul in Varna.

KORAGARIOU, MARQUIS

Appointed French (Vichy) Minister to Sofia 30 July 1943. Former French senator.

LANDWEHR, DR.

Head of the German "Government Commission" in Sofia (liaison between German and Bulgarian governments).

LAVRISCHEV, A. A.

Soviet Minister to Bulgaria.

MAMELLI, FRANCESCO

Italian Minister to Bulgaria. Replaced Count Magistrati, who had been in Sofia for many years, in June 1943. Mamelli was formerly Minister in Belgrade.

MENTESH

Turkish Minister to Bulgaria.

PERICH, DR. STJEPO

Croatian Minister to Sofia since 28 July 1943. Was Croatia's first Minister to Rome. Replaces Vl. Zhidovets. (Has titles of Croat Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Sofia.)

PETKOVICH, COL.

Croatian Military Attaché in Sofia.

SASS, WALTER VON

Ranking German correspondent in Sofia, representing Transocean.

SCHONBECK, COL. VON

German Military and Airforce Attaché in Sofia since January 1943. Before that only Air Attaché. Replaced Hans Bruckman.

SCHUSTER, ADMIRAL

Top ranking German officer charged with supervising Bulgarian defences. Commander of German Marines and Naval personnel in Sofia (about 3,000).

SPISHIAK, IAN

Slovakian Minister to Bulgaria.

VENTURINO, ROBERTO

Italian Consul General in Skopie, occupied Yugoslavia.

VITTE, ARTHUR

German Consul General and political observer in Skopie, occupied Yugoslavia.

YAMAJI

Japanese Minister to Bulgaria.

XX. MISCELLANEOUS

ARNAUDOV, PROF. MIHAIL

Professor of the History of Literature in the University of Sofia. Born in 1878. Specialized in Slavic philology in the University of Sofia and later studied three years in the Universities of Leipzig, Berlin and Prague, and two years in Paris and London. Member of the Bulgarian Academy of Science and the Writer's Club. He has written many books and is a regular contributor to the series of publications called "Bulgarian Writers". He is one of the most well-known professors in the university. May protest pro-Allied sympathies, but his wartime record indicates caution should be used in dealing with him.

ATANASOV, DIMITER

Born in 1894. Studied plant pathology in the University of Wisconsin, where he received the degree of Doctor of Science. Also studied in Holland. He is Professor of Plant Pathology in the Agricultural Department of the University of Sofia. He is the most well-known plant pathologist in the Balkans and the author of many important books on that subject. He was minister of Agriculture for a short time about 1935. He is vigorously pro-Ally in his sentiments.

AVRAMOV, G.

Noted Bulgarian engineer. Director of Ports & Shipping, 1929-1934. Born in Svishtov, March 1, 1871. Studied Structural engineering in Vienna. Section Engineer on Bulg. Railways after 1897. Later Ass. Dir. of the Varna and Burgas ports and Ass. Dir. of Ports.

BIZHEV (BIJEFF)

Member of governing body of "Petrol" oil combine, 106 Rakovska St., Sofia.

DANCHOV, YURI

Director of Constructions, Ministry of Railroads, 1929 to about 1938. Born in Sliven, 9 March 1871. Gymnasium in Plovdiv. Studied at Zürich, Leipzig and Gent and received structural engineering and physics -math. degrees. Railway work since 1904. Ass. Dir. of Constructions from 1920-1929.

DIKOV, PROF. L.

Minister of Justice about 1936. He is a Professor in the Law School of the University of Sofia. Age probably about fifty. An able man. He is strongly pro-Axis in sentiment.

EGNATEV, PENYU

United States citizen and pro-Allied. Lives on Blvd. Ferdinand, opposite the British legation in Sofia.

HADZHIMISHEV, THEODORA (TED) LEGROS

Wife of former Bulgarian Minister to England. Was American nurse in Bulgaria. Is bitterly anti-American.

GRAMATIKOV, STEFAN

Tobacco merchant. Has great influence over the Turkish and other population in the area between Kirdzhali, Haskovo and Krumovgrad. (Tie up with Jack Aseov, now in New York.) Macedonian from Bitolia. Formerly army officer.

KARAVELOVA, MRS. EKATERINA

Widow of Petko Karavelov, who was prominent in the history of Bulgaria from the time of the liberation to the end of the nineteenth century. Mrs. Karavelova is now an old woman, but still a notable figure in Sofia.

KIOSSEIVANOV, MIHAIL

Engineer in Plovdiv. Youngest brother of George and Peter Kiosseivanov. Good reputation. Not interested in politics. Wife: Belovezhdova.

KOLCHEV, BORIS B.

Director of Railways and Ports, Ministry of Railways, Posts and Telegraph from 1934 to 1939. Born in Yambol, 1890. Graduate of Sofia Military Academy, 1910. Served as officer in the railway administration during the Balkan and World Wars. Supervised building of Skopie-Ohrid line. Rank of Colonel. Graduate of the Free Univ., Sofia (Financial Administration). Served with various military R.R. units and as director of the Govt. R.R. School. Also was in the engineering service of the Ministry of War. Commander of the motorized (automobile) batallion in Sofia and later of the 3d engineering bat. in Shumen.

MALINOVA, MRS. AL.

Widow of former Prime Minister Alexander Malinov. At present Mrs. Malinova is the most prominent woman engaged in social and philanthropic work in Sofia. An able woman. She keeps in touch with the political scene and would be a good consultant on political affairs.

MUELLER, JOHN

Traitor to the United States of America. Born in Germany. Went to United States with parents as a child. Lived in Brooklyn. Graduate of Colgate University. Scholarship from Institute of International Education, 49th St. New York, Stephen Duggan, head, connected with Carnegie Corp.) to study in Munich. Sofia September 1940 -- part-time reporter for United Press. Taught at Am. College -- dismissed for pro-Nazi tendencies. Exchanged United States passport for German one providing protection in occupied country. May have been exchanged for regular German passport. Extent of his Nazi collaboration not known.

PROSHEK,

Owner of large beer brewery in Sofia. Czech. origin, but very Bulgarian. Strongly pro-Allied.

SARAFOV, T.M.

Director of Exploitation, Ministry of Railways, 1929-1935. Born Sofia, Oct. 5, 1884. Engineering degree from St. Petersburg (1910). With R.R. Ministry since 1911. Chief of Traffic Section, 1922-1925. Ass. Dir. of Exploitation, 1925-1929.

SPISAREVSKI, KONSTANTIN

Former Bulgarian Consul General at Marseilles, London. Former Bulgarian Commercial Attaché at Alexandria. Arrested in Sofia, April 1943, for "Activities hostile to the Nation", i.e. the spreading of Communist leaflets. Sentenced to 5 years prison (Zora, 16 April 1943). Author of well known economic and other studies on Bulgaria.

ZHEKOV, GENERAL

Succeeds General Hristo Lukov as head of the Legionnaires (Fascist military youth movement). Zhekov was commander in chief during the last war. Is extremely pro-German. Recently received big gift of money from Hitler.

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